

Amendments to the Claims

The following listing of claims replaces all prior versions and listings of claims in the application.

1. (Currently amended) ~~An~~ A system being configured to treat cystocele, comprising an
implant having a thin and supple structure and a device for the introduction of an implant,
wherein the implant being configured to treat cystocele and comprising comprises a support
body-(2) made of bio-compatible ~~material~~ material, from which extend at least:

two anterior suspension straps-(3) on both sides of a sagittal plane-(S),

two posterior suspension straps-(4) on both sides of a sagittal plane-(S),

and two middle suspension straps-(5) on both sides of a sagittal plane-(S) and between the
anterior and the posterior straps-(3) and (4); and wherein the device for the introduction of an
implant comprises an introduction member-(20) that has:

a supple structure and whose shape is similar to that of the implant-(1);

a hollow body-(21) defining a cavity for the reception of the body-(2) of the implant-(1);

tubular branches-(22) extending from the hollow body-(21) each defining a cavity for the

reception of a suspension strap-(3,4,5) of the implant-(1);

means for traction-(23) extending from the end of each of the branches-(22) of the

introduction member; and

means for ~~allowing cutting of~~ cutting apertures in at least the hollow body-(21) of the

introduction member-(20).

2. (Currently amended) An implant according to claim 1, ~~characterised in that~~ wherein the a
longitudinal axes (A_3) axis of the two anterior straps-(3) form an angle-(α) exceeding 45° .

3. (Currently amended) An implant according to claim 2, ~~characterised in that~~ wherein the
longitudinal axes (A_3) of the two anterior straps-(3) form an angle-(α) between 100° and 180° .

4. (Currently amended) An implant according to claim 2, ~~characterised in that~~ wherein
angle-(α) is between 115° and 170° .

5. (Currently amended) An implant according to claim 1, ~~characterised in that~~ wherein the a
longitudinal axes (A_4) axis of the two posterior straps-(4) form an angle-(β) that is not zero.

6. (Currently amended) An implant according to claim 5, ~~characterised in that~~ wherein the
angle-(β) exceeds 10° .

7. (Currently amended) An implant according to claim 6, ~~characterised in that~~ wherein the
angle-(β) is between 10° and 75° .

8. (Currently amended) An implant according to claim 6, ~~characterised in that~~ wherein the
angle-(β) is between 100° and 180° .

9. (Currently amended) An implant according to claim 1, ~~characterised in that~~ wherein the a longitudinal axis ~~(A₅)~~ of each middle suspension strap ~~(5)~~ and an anterior part of the sagittal plane, forms, ~~with the anterior part of the sagittal plane (S), and an angle (γ) of between 100° and 140°, preferably between 110° and 130°.~~
10. (Currently amended) An implant according to claim 1, ~~characterised in that~~ wherein the a length of ~~the each~~ anterior straps ~~(3)~~ strap exceeds 100 mm.
11. (Currently amended) An implant according to claim 1, ~~characterised in that~~ wherein the a length of ~~the each~~ posterior straps ~~(4)~~ strap exceeds 100 mm.
12. (Currently amended) An implant according to claim 1, ~~characterised in that~~ wherein the a length of ~~the each~~ middle straps ~~(5)~~ strap exceeds 100 mm.
13. (Currently amended) An implant according to claim 1, ~~characterised in that~~ wherein the whole shape of the support body ~~(2)~~ is substantially rectangular.
14. (Currently amended) An implant according to claim 13, ~~characterised in that~~ wherein the a length ~~(L₂)~~ of the support body ~~(2)~~ is between 60 mm and 90 mm and ~~the a~~ width of the support body is between 40 mm and 60 mm.

15. (Currently amended) An implant according to claim 13, ~~characterised in that wherein the~~
each anterior straps (3) strap substantially extends from ~~the an anterior corners~~ corner of the
support body ~~(2)~~.

16. (Currently amended) An implant according to claim 1, ~~characterised in that wherein the~~
each posterior straps (4) strap substantially extends from ~~the a posterior corners~~ corner of the
support body ~~(2)~~.

17. (Canceled).

18. (Currently amended) An introduction device according to claim ~~17~~ 1, ~~characterised in~~
~~that wherein~~ the means of traction ~~(23)~~ include a semi-rigid needle for each tubular branch ~~(21)~~.

19. (Currently amended) An introduction device according to claim ~~17~~ 1, ~~characterised in~~
~~that wherein~~ the means for allowing cutting comprise at least one aperture ~~(24)~~ for the passage of
a cutting instrument.

20. (Currently amended) An introduction device ~~according to claim 17, characterised in that~~
~~it comprises~~ further comprising an implant ~~(1)~~ according to claim 1 placed in the cavity of the
hollow body ~~(21)~~ and the tubular branches ~~(22)~~.

21. (Currently amended) An introduction device according to claim 20, ~~characterised in that~~
wherein the implant-(1) is free inside the introduction device-(10).

22. (Currently amended) An introduction device according to claim ~~17~~ 1, ~~characterised in~~
~~that it also comprises~~ further comprising an elongated perforator guide-(10) or trocar, one end
(12) of which is made to be introduced in the patient's body and the other end is equipped with a
handle-(14).

23. (Currently amended) An introduction device according to claim 22, ~~characterised in that~~
wherein the shape of the perforator guide-(10) is curved in one plane.

24. (Currently amended) An introduction device according to claim 23, ~~characterised in that~~
wherein the curved part-(15) of the perforator-(10) extends over an angular sector exceeding
140°.

25. (Currently amended) An introduction device according to claim 23, ~~characterised in that~~
wherein the curved part-(15) of the perforator guide-(10) has a radius of curvature R of between
30 mm and 60 mm.

26. (Currently amended) An introduction device according to claim 22, ~~characterised in that~~
wherein the perforator guide-(10) has a helicoid shape at the end opposite to the handle or a distal
end-(17).

27. (Currently amended) An introduction device according to claim 26, ~~characterised in that~~
wherein the distal end ~~(17)~~ of the perforator guide ~~(10)~~ has the shape of a portion of helicoid
spire extending over an angle of between 180° and 350° .

28. (Currently amended) An introduction device according to claim 27, ~~characterised in that~~
wherein the spire ~~(17)~~ of the perforator guide ~~(10)~~ has a radius of curvature between 20 mm and
40 mm, with a pitch between 15 mm and 25 mm.

29. (Currently amended) An introduction device according to claim 22, ~~characterised in that~~
~~it also comprises~~ further comprising a removable tubular casing ~~(50)~~ whose shape is
complementary to that of the perforator guide ~~(10)~~, intended to be fit on the perforator guide ~~(10)~~
and remain in the patient's body after the removal of the perforator guide ~~(10)~~ to define a tunnel
for the passage of the means of traction ~~(23)~~ of the introduction member ~~(20)~~.

30. (Currently amended) A procedure for the treatment of cystocele in women, ~~characterised in that it consists essentially of comprising:~~

using an implant-(1) and a device for the introduction of an implant according to claim 1;
inserting the implant-(1) in the body of the patient by placing:

each of the anterior suspension straps-(3) in an obturated foramen,

each of the middle suspension straps-(5) in a corresponding middle translevator
region,

each of the posterior suspension straps-(4) in a corresponding uterosacral region,
and the support body-(2) in ~~the~~ an anterior vaginal wall.

31. (Currently amended) A procedure for the treatment of cystocele in women, ~~characterised in that it consists essentially of comprising:~~

using an implant-(1) and a device for the introduction of an implant according to claim 1;
inserting the implant-(1) in the body of the patient by placing:

each of the anterior suspension straps-(3) in an obturated foramen,

each of the middle suspension straps-(5) in an inferoposterior region of the
corresponding obturated foramen,

each of the posterior suspension straps-(4) in a corresponding uterosacral region,
and the support body-(2) in ~~the~~ an anterior vaginal wall.

32. (Currently amended) A procedure for the treatment of cystocele in women according to claim 30, ~~characterised in that it in particular consists of~~ further comprising placing each of the posterior suspension straps through the corresponding uterosacral ligament.

33. (Currently amended) A procedure for the treatment of cystocele in women according to claim 30, ~~characterised in that it in particular consists of~~ further comprising placing each of the posterior suspension straps ~~(4)~~ through the corresponding uterosacral ligament and in the corresponding transgluteal region.

34. (Currently amended) A procedure for the treatment of cystocele in women according to claim 33, ~~characterised in that it in particular consists of~~ further comprising placing each of the posterior suspension straps ~~(4)~~ through the corresponding uterosacral ligament and through the corresponding sacrosciatic ligament.

35. (Previously amended) An implant and a device for the introduction of an implant according to claim 1, wherein said bio-compatible material is selected from the group consisting of: a synthetic material; a woven material; a non-woven material; a knit material; polypropylene fibres; polyester fibres; a material coated with products favouring cell growth; a natural material; fascia latta; a biological resorbent material; and a synthetic resorbent material.